





## Mails.

## U. S. Mail Line.

## PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Proposed sailings from Hongkong.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, and Honolulu) ... THURSDAY, May 21, at noon.

City of Peking (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, and Honolulu) ... SATURDAY, June 7, at daylight.

China (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, and Honolulu) ... THURSDAY, June 25, at noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBÉ, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU, TO-MORROW, the 21st May, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the Inland Sea of Japan, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route. Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Pacific lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY for payment of \$4 in addition to the regular tariff rates.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application. Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Navy, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Service, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Indian Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. on the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. on the day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to ports in the United States, should be sent to the Company's office in San Francisco, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, May 20, 1896. 931

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX.

ALSO PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 27th May, at Noon, the Company's Steamship SYDNEY, Commandant ADAMS, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY.

The Steamer connects COLOMBO with the S. S. V. de la Gôlette, which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails, leaving that Port on the 8th June, direct to SUEZ, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 27th May. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

C. TOURNAIRE, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, May 13, 1896. 992

## A WONDERFUL MEDICINE.

**BEECHAM'S PILLS**

are universally admitted to be

Worth a Guinea a Box.

FOR BILIOUS AND NERVOUS DISORDERS.

Sick Headache, Loss of Appetite, Stomach and Bowels on the Skin, Sourness and Bloating, &c.

For further particulars, apply to the Proprietor.

Prepared only by the Proprietor, THOMAS DOUGLAS & CO., Ltd., 11, Abchurch Lane, London, E.C. 4.

The 11th, 13th, 15th, 17th, 19th, 21st, 23rd, 25th, 27th, 29th, 31st, 33rd, 35th, 37th, 39th, 41st, 43rd, 45th, 47th, 49th, 51st, 53rd, 55th, 57th, 59th, 61st, 63rd, 65th, 67th, 69th, 71st, 73rd, 75th, 77th, 79th, 81st, 83rd, 85th, 87th, 89th, 91st, 93rd, 95th, 97th, 99th, 101st, 103rd, 105th, 107th, 109th, 111th, 113th, 115th, 117th, 119th, 121st, 123rd, 125th, 127th, 129th, 131st, 133rd, 135th, 137th, 139th, 141st, 143rd, 145th, 147th, 149th, 151st, 153rd, 155th, 157th, 159th, 161st, 163rd, 165th, 167th, 169th, 171st, 173rd, 175th, 177th, 179th, 181st, 183rd, 185th, 187th, 189th, 191st, 193rd, 195th, 197th, 199th, 201st, 203rd, 205th, 207th, 209th, 211st, 213th, 215th, 217th, 219th, 221st, 223rd, 225th, 227th, 229th, 231st, 233rd, 235th, 237th, 239th, 241st, 243rd, 245th, 247th, 249th, 251st, 253rd, 255th, 257th, 259th, 261st, 263rd, 265th, 267th, 269th, 271st, 273rd, 275th, 277th, 279th, 281st, 283rd, 285th, 287th, 289th, 291st, 293rd, 295th, 297th, 299th, 301st, 303rd, 305th, 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**THE TYPHOON.**  
The steamer *Sung Kiang*, which arrived from Manila this morning, reports:—Left Manila at 6.50 p.m. on 15th inst. for Hongkong. At 8 a.m. on the following morning, encountered a strong gale with high sea, accompanied by thick blinding rain. The steamer being on the eastern edge of a typhoon, brought her head to the S.E. and slowed engines, steamer riding to wind and sea. The lowest reading of the barometer observed was at 2 a.m. on the 17th inst., when it stood at 29.35; thermometer 88, with violent squalls and blinding rain. At 4 p.m. on the 17th, the weather moderated and the barometer rose, the wind heading to the westward. At 9.30 p.m., the steamer having been hoisted to thirty-eight hours, and the weather still moderating, set on full speed for Hongkong.

At 6.50 a.m., on the 18th, in lat. 16.24 N., long. 118.68 E., passed the steamer *Yuenwang* bound for Manila. In latitude 16.40 N., long. 118.43 E., passed a full-rigged ship on port tack, under small canvas, having apparently lost her lower foretop-sail, steering N.W. by N. At 5 p.m. on the 18th, in lat. 17.30 N., long. 118. E., passed a large full-rigged sailing ship steering to S.E. From thence to port, fine clear weather.

The local manager of the Joint Telegraph Companies informs us that communication with Manila is restored. Delayed telegrams are now going forward.

We are indebted to the Spanish Consul for copy of the following telegrams:—  
Manila, 19.6.96.—On the 17th, at 1.30 a.m., the typhoon entered Luzon by the N. of Bolinao, between the parallels 16 and 17. Manila, 19.6.96, 10 a.m. (by post to Bolinao).—Typhoon entered the Pacific by the N. of Luzon, Direction N.E. Danger S. of Japan if the direction does not change.

The following notice was issued by the Hongkong Office:—  
On the 20th at 11.10 a.m. The typhoon appears to be approaching the S.W. coast of Japan. The barometer has fallen sharply at Nagasaki, risen elsewhere. Pressure conditions are now almost normal on the China Coast. Forecast:—On S.E. of China, light variable to moderate N.E. winds; fine.

**MODERN ENTERPRISE AND ADVERTISING.**  
At the forthcoming Exhibition in Berlin the Norddeutscher Lloyd in Bremen will exhibit a large model of one of the new steamers the Company has at present under construction.

The model will be a complete copy of the steamer in the entire length as far as to the second funnel, and will measure not less than about 300 feet, being so constructed that it extends by about 180 feet into the river Spree. Everything in the interior is fitted up exactly like on board ship. The kitchen, the Doctor's Cabin, the Dispensary, the Hospital, the Bath-rooms, Passenger Cabins and the Pantry give a true copy of the arrangements now adopted on board the latest additions to the Norddeutscher Lloyd Company's fleet. In the dining hall dinner is laid for 100 people, whilst on the upper or promenade deck is the Ladies' Cabins etc. On the Bridge a full supply of nautical instruments is at hand, whilst the ship is moreover supplied with full gear and tackle, lifeboats, etc.

**CORRESPONDENCE.**  
**NAVAL STRENGTH IN THE FAR EAST.**  
To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'  
Hongkong, May 20, 1896.  
SIR,—The conclusion arrived at by your correspondent 'Navy League' in your last night's issue—viz. that Russia and France could not at the moment furnish a squadron equal in speed, armament and tonnage to our fleet cruising in the Far East, is, I am afraid, erroneous, and not borne out by facts and figures, as glanced at annexed table will show. In regard to 'Navy League's' contention, that the 18 British ships are so very superior to the 17 Russian, Navy League will honour by studying a table published by me in the 'Daily Press' of yesterday, I think (unless he can discover some error in the table) that he must own the difference in our favour is a very slender one. In regard to the age of the ships, I find the first 18 British average 6.6 years, and the first 17 Russian 6.8 years, not quite a sufficient difference to justify calling the Russians, with the exception of the *Zurik* and one other, a fleet of 'huge black boxes' that came out here years and years ago. I have neither time at the moment nor wish to trespass on your space to go into 'Navy League's' assertion that 'Neither can either fleet do more than produce an unreliable counter-squadron to our smaller cruisers and first-class gunboats,' but I fancy they could do more than he thinks in that way. At any rate, it is not wise to despise an enemy. Trusting you will favour me by publishing this letter, Sir.—Yours faithfully,  
T. I. S.

**ITALY IN ABYSSINIA.**  
London, May 11.  
The Italian Chamber has passed a vote of confidence in the African policy of the Government.

**THE TYPHOON.**  
On Saturday afternoon eighteen monitors competed over the 200 and 500 yards distances for the Association Spoons, which were won by Col. Sgt. A. Smith, R.B., Col. Sgt. Hopkins, R.B.; Captain Eccles, R.B.; Private Wilson, R.B.; and Mr. A. Brown. The following were the best results:—

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Hongkong, May 18, 1896.

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